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TIMOTHY BRADLEY AND KATE O'DELL RE-SENTENCED
TO MORE THAN FIVE YEARS FOR CIVIL RIGHTS AND FRAUD CRIMES

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Wan J. Kim, Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, Tom Colantuono, United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire, FBI Special Agent in Charge Kenneth Kaiser, and Litchfield Police Chief Joseph E. O'Brion, Jr., today announced a sentencing under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000. Timothy H. Bradley and Kathleen (Kate) O'Dell, both of Litchfield, New Hampshire were sentenced to five years and 10 months in federal prison, after being convicted by a jury on charges of forced labor, human trafficking, document servitude, wire fraud, and conspiracy.

The defendants had previously received the same sentences in January 2004, but were re-sentenced today in accordance with changes in sentencing procedures.

Bradley and O'Dell recruited four Jamaican citizens in Jamaica, and brought them to New Hampshire in 2000 and 2001 to work for Bradley Tree Service, Bradley's tree cutting business. They threatened two of these men with serious harm and physical restraint in coercing labor and services; they confiscated the victims' passports to keep them from fleeing; and they severely restricted the victims' freedom of travel. Bradley and O'Dell physically assaulted one of the men and set a dog on him as he fled; they denied one of the men medical care when he was injured on the job; and they forced the men to live in a tool shed and a trailer without adequate heating or plumbing, charging \$50 per week for rent.

A federal jury convicted Bradley and O'Dell on one count of conspiracy to commit forced labor, two counts of forced labor, two counts of trafficking into forced labor, two counts of document servitude, and eleven counts of wire fraud. In addition to their prison terms, the Court also sentenced the 44-year-old Bradley and 49-year-old O'Dell to pay restitution to the victims totaling \$13,052, and ordered Bradley to pay a \$12,500 fine.

This case was prosecuted under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000. Since its enactment, the Administration, including the Department of Justice and the United States Attorneys Offices, have dedicated substantial resources and efforts to addressing the global problem of human trafficking.

These convictions were the result of a 17-month investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Litchfield Police Department, and the Diplomatic Security Service of the United States Department of State. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark S. Zuckerman and Trial Attorneys Anne Milgram and Hilary Aham of the Civil Rights Division's Criminal Section.